



Rhode Island Rivers Council Annual Report 2003

INTRODUCTION

Rhode Island's rivers and their watersheds are state treasures, supporting our economy by providing water supply, recreational opportunities, open space, and cultural, historic and scenic landscapes. Although Rhode Island will always be the Ocean State, it is also a River State with 1,498 miles of rivers and streams and 20,917 acres of lakes and ponds. Many Rhode Islanders have to drive to visit Narragansett Bay, but almost everyone can walk to a local stream, lake or river. Throughout Rhode Island, grass-roots watershed organizations provide leadership for the development and protection of river and watershed resources.

The Rhode Island legislature has long recognized the importance of locally led management and advocacy for rivers and watersheds and has provided financial support for local watershed organizations through the Rhode Island Rivers Council. In 2003, the legislature's \$52,500 investment leveraged almost \$400,000 in outside investment and volunteer labor for river and watershed management. Each watershed council targeted the legislative money where it would have the most benefit for their local communities. For example, in the Blackstone watershed, the legislative grant helped support the Blackstone River Watershed Council's ZAP 30th Anniversary celebration which attracted over 6,000 people to the banks of the Blackstone River. The grant helped the Pawtuxet River Watershed Council develop a feasibility study for fish passage at Pawtuxet Falls at the Cranston-Warwick border in Pawtuxet Village and supported scientific water quality studies in the Wood-Pawcatuck watershed.

During the summer of 2003, Rhode Islanders watched as fish died in Greenwich Bay and swimming beaches were closed. Pollution in Narragansett Bay and the surrounding watersheds became an immediate issue demanding decisive action. The legislature responded quickly, with the Senate Hearings on Narragansett Bay and Marine Issues and the Special House

Council Members

Governor Appointments

Elizabeth Gowell
Stephen Kearns
Jane Sherman

Lieutenant Governor Appointments

Dante Ionata
Dale Grogan
Meg Kerr (chair)

Speaker of the House Appointments

Rep. Eileen Naughton
Rep. Scott Rabideau
Vacant

Majority Leader of Senate Appointments

Sen. Elizabeth Roberts
Daniel Varin

Department of Environmental Management Scott Millar (vice-chair)

Coastal Resources Management Council Kevin Cute

Department of Administration Kevin Nelson

League of Cities and Towns Diane Feather

Commission to Study the Status of the State's Policy Formulation and Planning for the Environmental Management and Sustainable Economic Development of Rhode Island's Bays and their watersheds, or Bay Trust Commission. The Governor responded as well with the Governor's Narragansett Bay and Watershed Planning Commission. These commissions recognize the connections between Narragansett Bay and its watershed, and the necessity of managing the entire area in order to achieve a clean and healthy Bay.

This report summarizes the accomplishments of the Rivers Council and our seven watershed councils for 2003. The report closes with a highlight of priorities for 2004 and a full financial report.

RIVERS COUNCIL 2003 HIGHLIGHTS

2003 was a busy and exciting year for the Rivers Council. We strengthened the network of watershed councils, providing training and mentoring while the Department of Environmental Management provided substantial technical support. We also completed revisions to the Rivers Policy and Classification Plan (State Guide Plan Element 162) with support from the Statewide Planning Program at the Department of Administration. The Rivers Council established a strong partnership with the Rhode Island Land Trust Council and the Rhode Island Association of Conservation Commissions (RIACC). This partnership will strengthen the connections between land and water protection at both the grassroots and state policy level.

Institutional Strengthening

In 2002, with financial support from the Narragansett Bay Estuary Program, the Rivers Council hosted 30 hours of classroom training for watershed councils on "Building a Sustainable Watershed Organization". Training was provided by the Institute for Conservation Leadership (ICL), a national organization dedicated to empowering volunteer organizations that protect and conserve the Earth's environment. In 2003, the training series continued with two workshops specifically designed to meet the needs of watershed council board of directors and one-on-one mentoring with the watershed council executive directors. In total, ICL provided over 40 hours of classroom training plus 10 hours of consulting services.

Rhode Island Watershed Councils 2003

**Blackstone River
Watershed Council**
175 Main St.
Pawtucket, RI 02860

**Kickemuit River
Watershed Council**
90 Dexterdale Rd.
Providence, RI 02906

**Narrow River
Preservation
Association**
PO Box 8
Saunderstown, RI 02974

**Pawtuxet River
Watershed Council**
Historic Pontiac Mills
334 Knight Street
Warwick, RI 02886

**Saugatucket River
Heritage Corridor
Coalition**
333 Main St.
Wakefield, RI 02879

**Wood-Pawcatuck
Watershed
Association**
203B Arcadia Road
Hope Valley, RI 02832

**Woonasquatucket
River Watershed
Council**
Monohasset Mill Building
532 Kinsley Avenue
Providence, RI 02909

The training had measurable impact on the watershed councils. Several councils expanded their membership structure, while others focused on building the skills within their board of directors. Most importantly, the training strengthened the network of watershed councils and fostered strong working relationships among them.

Technical Training

The Rivers Council, with funding support from the Partnership for Narragansett Bay and the Environmental Protection Agency, hosted a series of technical workshops for watershed councils. These workshops provided watershed council directors, boards and active members with information about watershed issues and policy initiatives emerging in the state.

- **Wetland Workshop** (May 14). The value of wetlands as ecological systems was reviewed in the context of DEM and CRMC regulations for wetlands protection.
- **Water Withdrawal and Uses** (May 19). Watershed councils were introduced to Rhode Island's deliberations around water allocation and provided information about Massachusetts' Ipswich River which is severely impacted by water withdrawals.
- **Public Relations for Conservation Non-profits** (October 23). Hosted in partnership with RIACC and the RI Land Trust Council, Chip Young, communications director at the URI Coastal Resources Center provided watershed councils, land trusts and other local conservationists with tips on how to hone an organization's message and interact effectively with the media.
- **Working Effectively with Local Government** (November 1). Trainers from the Statewide Planning Program, Grow Smart Rhode Island and the Rhode Island Association of Conservation Commissions (RIACC) reviewed the basic components of local land use planning, highlighting how watershed councils can effectively participate in local decisions.

“How we manage water resources will influence the well-being of Rhode Island communities and their residents far into the future.”

“Where new water users locate and how large total water demand grows depends more on municipal land use planning than any other factor.”

Water Allocation Impact Analysis Subcommittee Report, 2003

Watershed Summit (July 1)

The watershed summit brought together members of the Rivers Council with representatives of the state's watershed councils to discuss priority issues for river protection and strategies for

addressing them. Rhode Island's watershed organizations identified the following priorities for their rivers: building public awareness of rivers and freshwaters, understanding existing water quality and advocating for improvements including the issue of trash in rivers, using rivers to support community character and promote economic development, habitat restoration and protection, promoting public access and working with local communities on land protection.

Strengthening Watershed Management Statewide

The Rivers Council completed the first set of revisions to the Rhode Island Rivers Policy and Classification Plan, approving the changes at the Council's December 2003 meeting. These changes incorporate coastal waters and adopt CRMC's classifications for tidal waters. This change will allow the Rivers Council to formally recognize and work more closely with watershed organizations focused on the State's coastal ponds and estuaries. The revised plan also adopts federal guidelines for describing state's watersheds, making the Rivers Council watershed descriptions compatible with those used by other state agencies. Final approval of these changes and incorporation into the State Guide Plan are scheduled for early 2004. In 2004, the Rivers Council Policy Subcommittee will review policies in the plan and consider amendments that will strengthen river protection at the local level.

The Rivers Council established a partnership with the Rhode Island Land Trust Council and RIACC, and jointly sponsored training during 2003. Together, the three organizations work with most of Rhode Island's grassroots conservation organizations. Through joint training and collaborative events we encourage partnerships and sharing among local conservationists.

The Rivers Council participated in the Governor's Bay Planning Commission and the House Bay Trust Commission and advocated for river and watershed management as an integral part of bay planning.

"Collaboration is the key to successful watershed management. Rhode Island has so many talented people and so much expertise. These individuals and organizations can work together to secure the future we all desire."

Representative Eileen Naughton

Challenges

Rhode Island's rivers and freshwaters are threatened. The major challenges facing the local watershed councils who work to protect them include:

- Assuring that Rhode Island implements policies that will maintain adequate freshwater for future uses. The Water Resources Board has led a statewide study of water allocation. Implementing the recommendations of this study to assure that Rhode Island has a long-term, sustainable water supply and protects the ecological integrity of stream, rivers and wetlands is a priority.
- Implementing municipal Stormwater Phase II programs. This program is a major undertaking for the state's municipalities, but it holds the promise of reducing stormwater inputs to streams and rivers and improving water quality.
- Targeted protection of open space to preserve natural buffer areas, and to protect water resources, recreational access and cultural and historic sites.

“The Rhode Island Rivers Council is one of our quiet success stories. Locally led education, advocacy and management are essential for maintaining the quality of life Rhode Islanders enjoy. The Rivers Council and our local watershed councils are making the connections between local interests and state policy.”

*Ken Payne,
RI Senate Policy Office*

Our thanks to our partners:

*Audubon Society of Rhode Island
Coastal Resources Center at the University of Rhode Island
Coastal Resources Management Council
Conservation Law Foundation
Grow Smart Rhode Island
Narragansett Bay Estuary Program
Rhode Island Statewide Planning Program
Rhode Island Association of Conservation Commissions
Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management
Rhode Island Natural History Survey
Rhode Island Sea Grant
Save the Bay
The Environmental Protection Agency, Region 1
The Institute for Conservation Leadership
The Partnership for Narragansett Bay
The Rhode Island Foundation
The Rhode Island General Assembly
The Rhode Island Land Trust Council*

Watershed Council Highlights

Blackstone River Watershed Council

The Blackstone River Watershed Council (BRWC) is a volunteer organization advocating for the protection and preservation of the Blackstone River, its tributaries and watershed. The BRWC was established by the Blackstone Valley Tourism Council in 1997 and designated by the RI Rivers Council in 2002. The BRWC's board is made up of appointed representatives from the nine communities in the watershed and from local, state, and federal agencies.

Activities in 2003 included:

RIVER FESTIVAL. Coordinating a ZAP 30th Anniversary Celebration held on RI Rivers Day, on the banks of the Blackstone River. Over 6,000 people attended the event to celebrate the progress that has been made in reclaiming the River.

WATER MONITORING. Launching a Volunteer Citizen Water Quality Monitoring Program as part of a watershed wide monitoring effort.

Working with a group of environmental studies students from Brown University to monitor storm water inputs to the River.

EDUCATION. Designing a Do's and Don'ts for the Blackstone River brochure. Highlighting using the river safely and how residents can help reduce nonpoint source pollution. Presenting four pilot presentations of the Do's and Don'ts for the Blackstone program to school groups.

Partnering with Massachusetts Audubon, the Blackstone Valley Rivers Project, and the Blackstone River Valley National Heritage Corridor to hold a Clean Water Festival for over 15 school groups throughout the watershed.

PUBLIC CAMPAIGN. Launching a Fishable Swimmable Blackstone Campaign with the Heritage Corridor, Massachusetts Audubon, and partner watershed organizations in Massachusetts.

SCHOLARSHIPS. Awarding 10 scholarships to graduating high school seniors who displayed a commitment to the watershed.

CLEAN UPS. Conducting ongoing stewardship effort to remove debris from the river and its banks. Coordinating Earth Day cleanups throughout the watershed as part of the Keep America Beautiful program.

Kickemuit River Watershed Council

The Kickemuit River Council is composed of voting members from the organizations and neighborhoods around the salt water Kickemuit River in Warren and Bristol, R.I. The KRC, an all volunteer, and 501-C-3 organization, founded in 1973 and incorporated in the State of R.I. is a member of the R.I. Rivers' Council.

Activities in 2003 included:

ILLEGAL DISCHARGE DETECTION AND ELIMINATION. Developed and implemented the "Blue Tab" Project to identify homes illegally discharging to the river through the storm drains. To date, 112 homes have been evaluated and all are now connected to the sewer system. There are 93 homes still to complete.

KRC walked the freshwater Kickemuit River and took pictures at many points of possible pollution into the freshwater Kickemuit River and the reservoir.

WATERSHED ACTION PLAN. In partnership with the Eastern Rhode Island Conservation District and Save the Bay, developed a Watershed Action Plan for the fresh and saltwater Kickemuit.

CLEAN UP. Conducted a successful and well attended cleanup of the Kickemuit River in cooperation with the Warren and Bristol Harbormasters and Save the Bay.

ADVOCACY. KRC continues to advocate for reduced discharges from the Brayton Point Power Station.

EDUCATION. KRC brought ideas on estuaries into the public schools and encourages the use of the Audubon Society's educational program. The children will inherit our river and are our future leaders who keep it clean.

"The Kickemuit River cannot speak for itself. It needs a loud voice from those who know it, love it, and want to save it."

Providence Journal
Editorial, 1969

"Our goal is to leave a legacy of lasting beauty for our children and our children's children."

Kickemuit River
Watershed Council
By-Laws

Narrow River Preservation Association

The Narrow River Preservation Association (NRPA) continued work on several issues of importance to the Narrow River Watershed during 2003. These activities included:

WATERSHED ACTION TEAMS. In conjunction with RIDEM and SRICD, NRPA coordinated citizen volunteer Watershed Action Teams to address a variety of non-point source pollution issues.

STORM WATER BMP. Two NRPA Board Members were part of the Narragansett Town Committee which developed the Town Phase II Storm Water Management Plan.

EDUCATION. The AWESOME program provided an eight week, three credit, graduate level course entitled Watershed Science for Educators at a greatly reduced fee to teachers selected from Narragansett, South Kingstown and North Kingstown.

NRPA also provided \$500.00 scholarships to two seniors graduating from high schools in the watershed as part of the Environmental Youth Achievement program.

HANDBOOK. The Narrow River Handbook, a citizen's guide to environmentally responsible living in the watershed was distributed to area residents.

WATER QUALITY. NRPA River Watch volunteers working in partnership with the URI Watershed Watch program, completed their eleventh year of water quality monitoring at key locations on Narrow River. Measurements were taken for temperature, dissolved oxygen, chlorophyll and salinity. Water samples were collected and analyzed for bacteria, nitrogen and phosphorous. Data was used by RIDEM in development of TMDLs for the river.

NARROW RIVER RUN. NRPA 16th annual Narrow River Run was held on May 10th to help raise awareness of the river and NRPA and to raise funds for on-going projects.

JET SKI BAN. NRPA developed an informational handbook for distribution to local town council members and town officials to inform them on all aspects of the Jet Ski issue. Meetings were held with representatives from each town to discuss the situation. NRPA continues to request enabling legislation from the General Assembly to control Jet Skis and protect the critical habitats and wildlife within the watershed.

DOCKS. NRPA has worked to maintain the restriction on new docks as provided for in the RI CRMC Narrow River Special Area Management Plan to ensure the protection of "lands of critical concern".

Pawtuxet River Watershed Council

The Pawtuxet River Authority also doing business as the Pawtuxet River Watershed Council (PRWC) is a state chartered nonprofit corporation (RIGL 46-24) created in 1972 by the RI General Assembly with five municipalities designated as participating communities. In 2001, the RI Rivers Council designated the PRWC the watershed council for the entire Pawtuxet River Watershed (RIGL 46-28-8) which includes land and water in ten municipalities in the central western portion of the state.

FISH PASSAGE. Working with energy and resources consultant, Kleinschmidt Associates, to develop a feasibility study for fish passage at Pawtuxet Falls at the Cranston-Warwick border in Pawtuxet Village. Sustaining an adult population of approximately 100,000 herring and 4,500 shad in the Lower Pawtuxet River is the modeled goal.

RIVER WALKWAYS. Acquired funds to make the Lincoln Avenue Connection in Coventry which will join two existing riverwalks owned by PRWC resulting in over one mile of continuous off road riverwalk extending from West Warwick through Coventry to near the Scituate border. An easement, a new trail segment and a bridge are included in the project.

The Pawtuxet River Walkway received \$3 million in funding from the Heritage Bond passed by the state's voters in November, 2002. The riverwalk, located on the South Branch of the Pawtuxet River, will extend from Centerville through Arctic past West Warwick High School up to the Royal Mill and Riverpoint Park.

The RI Economic Development Corporation (EDC) gave title to PRWC of 48 acres of land below the Howard Industrial Park that stretch 1.5 miles along the Pawtuxet River. The PRWC has begun conducting a comprehensive biological inventory in preparation for creating a model greenway/blueway plan for the property.

RIPARIAN BUFFERS. Developing a riparian buffer study for the main stem subwatershed of the Pawtuxet River. This study will identify opportunities for best stormwater management practices and target future land acquisitions.

The West Warwick Town Council and PRWC approved a renewable ten year care and custody agreement for the property on both sides of the Pawtuxet River at Veterans Square in West Warwick. This area provides an excellent view and ready access to the Pawtuxet River. A 700 square foot shed has been preserved on the back corner of the property for canoe storage and educational programs.

ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT. With land acquisitions, the net worth of PRWC has increased from approximately \$125,000 in assets to over \$2,000,000 in assets. PRWC also continues to maintain an approximately one hundred page website, www.pawtuxet.org, field phone and email inquiries from the public and provide assistance or make appropriate referrals

Saugatucket River Heritage Corridor Coalition

The Saugatucket River Heritage Corridor Coalition (SRHCC) is an all volunteer 501-c-3 organization established in 1994 to protect and promote the Saugatucket River and its watershed. Our vision plan adopted in nearly 10 years ago promotes an innovative greenway-planning approach for conservation and enhancement of the Saugatucket and its watershed as development pressure increases and threatens the area. The Coalition consists of community, civic, and neighborhood organizations to pursue this mission.

Education and Public Awareness Building. Earth Day 2003 provided the venue for a significant river cleanup in Wakefield, followed by our spring lecture series with four interrelated programs. This was a great success with lectures on habitat and history at standing room only.

Land Use/Non-Point Sources of Pollution. As the official Watershed Council for the Saugatucket under State of Rhode Island Planning Office authority, we receive information on funding programs and make suggestions for the location and scope of protection and remediation efforts. Our goal is to have a more official role for reviewing and commenting on development projects in the watershed.

Clean Up and Preservation of River Quality. The United States Environmental Protection Agency is working with the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management and the Towns of South Kingstown and Narragansett to clean up the Rose Hill Landfill, declared a Superfund toxic waste site in 1988. We are closely monitoring the ongoing process. Of concern is a future reuse plan for the property, which the Town of South Kingstown has now acquired.

Preservation of Open Space, Habitat, Natural Resources, and Features. We are making suggestions on desirable land acquisitions to protect the watershed and expand the Saugatucket River Green Corridor to our member organization, the South Kingstown Land Trust. Efforts are underway led by the South Kingstown Land Trust and Town of North Kingstown for conservation of significant tracts of land in the Saugatucket headwaters area north of Rte 138 and west of Tower Hill Road and east of Kingston Hill.

Recreation: Construction of the Saugatucket River Pedestrian Walkway in the Historic Downtown Main Street District has been delayed yet again. Although significantly delayed, this project has sparked renewed interest in downtown Wakefield.

Economic Development, Historic Preservation, Preservation of Cultural and Historic Landscapes and Features. In 2003, we hosted a tour of the watershed for staff from the National Trust for Historic Preservation and the Blackstone River National Heritage Corridor Commission to review the possibility of national heritage area designation for the Saugatucket watershed. Based upon their input the SRHCC will continue to explore such designation

General Status of the Watershed. The watershed remains threatened.

Woonasquatucket River Watershed Council

The Woonasquatucket River Watershed Council (WRWC) is a community-based 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization working to restore the Woonasquatucket and the six communities in the watershed. The WRWC was designated by the Rivers Council in 2001. Activities in 2003 included:

OUTREACH AND EDUCATION. Conducting canoe rides to enhance awareness to the Woonasquatucket as a recreational and natural resource.

Receiving a grant from the Community Schools Initiative to conduct an after school urban environmental education program in the Olneyville neighborhood of Providence.

Securing an urban tree grant from the RI DEM Division of Forestry to partner with local businesses to remove invasive plants and asphalt and plant trees in a parking lot along the river's edge.

Partnering with the Northern Rhode Island Conservation District to continue the Woonasquatucket River “Dos and “Don’ts” educational program

Securing a grant from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to conduct environmental and health education in partnership with the Audubon Society of Rhode Island, the Department of Health, and Joslin Community Center in 2003-2004.

RIVER RESTORATION. Receiving designation, along with the Blackstone River, as one of four national pilot projects for the new EPA-Army Corps of Engineers Urban River Restoration Initiative. The WRWC will receive a small grant to conduct community planning and survey work on a 22 acre parcel along the River in Johnston. The parcel, to be acquired by the Town through an open space grant, will provide significant river access, recreational opportunities and habitat in an industrial section of the watershed.

Working with developers to incorporate environmental improvements and protection into redevelopment plans for a mill building along the river. The WRWC identified potential funding through NRCS for a riparian buffer and opportunities to explore fish passage at the site that includes the first dam on the River.

PLANNING. Continuing work with RI DEM on their Greenspace Planning Initiative in the Woonasquatucket Watershed. Residents identified natural, historic and recreational resources in the watershed at over twenty community meetings organized by the WRWC this year.

Progressing on restoration planning and implementation activities in the watershed through partnering with the NRCS, town planners and our Habitat Restoration Team.

Wood Pawcatuck Watershed Association
(Watershed Council for the Pawcatuck)

Founded in 1983, the Wood-Pawcatuck Watershed Association (WPWA) is celebrating its 20th year as a non-profit conservation organization. Major accomplishments for 2003 include:

MONITORING. Furthering the scientific study of watershed resources with programs that assess ambient and transient water quality, as well as habitat suitability. Staff and volunteers have participated in URI Watershed Watch monitoring of 30 lakes, pond, and river sites; strategic electronic data logging of river stretches; nutrient monitoring in watershed tributaries; fish assemblage assessments and benthic macroinvertebrate sampling in low order streams; and the continuous logging of water temperature at stream sites throughout the watershed.

EDUCATION. Promoting watershed education in the classroom and in the field through AWEsome! curriculum training of 30 teachers, GEMS-net mentoring, classroom and field sessions for 20 classes in 12 schools, and the loaning of equipment for their use.

Working with URI Cooperative Extension to educate homeowners on protection of private wells and proper septic system maintenance.

ADVOCACY. Testifying on behalf of the watershed at municipal hearings on large-scale development proposals, advocating the passage of appropriate ordinances, participating in public meetings on industrial pollution issues and wastewater management district planning.

PROMOTING RECREATION AND PUBLIC ACCESS. Acquiring land for new access areas, planning for the enhancement of an existing access, clearing blowdowns from river trails, and implementing recreational programs such as the Source to Sea Paddle in June, Learn To Fish Month in July, and kayak instruction programs throughout the summer.

Completing physical improvements to our Hope Valley headquarters to create a public conference and learning center, and resource library, for use of WPWA members and visitors, other non-profit groups, and the general public.

POLICY. Participating with the RI Water Resources Board and other agencies on the development of a water allocation program for the State of RI.

ARTS. Incorporating the arts into watershed awareness through the implementation of the successful “Poetry of the Wild” program with artist-in-residence Ana Flores, engaging residents and visitors in the contribution of hundreds of poems collected by “poetry boxes” located at 12 access sites and trail heads in the watershed.

‘So – this – is – a – River!’

*‘**The River,**’ corrected the Rat.*

‘And you really live by the river? What a jolly life!’

‘By it and with it and on it and in it,’ said the Rat, ‘It’s brother and sister to me, and aunts, and company, and food and drink, and (naturally) washing. It’s my world, and I don’t want any other. What it hasn’t got is not worth having, and what it doesn’t know is not worth knowing. Lord! The times we’ve had together! Whether in winter or summer, spring or autumn, it’s always got its fun and its excitements.’

From The Wind in the Willows by Kenneth Grahame

Rhode Island Rivers Council
Income and Leveraged Support

	Income to Rivers Council	Income Leveraged by Rivers Council and Watershed Councils
Legislative appropriation	\$52,500.00	
Wood-Pawcatuck Watershed Association		\$20,760.84
Woonasquatucket Watershed Council		\$56,780.00
Kickemuit River Watershed Council		\$9,277.00
Saugatucket River Watershed Council		\$3,127.00
Pawtuxet River Watershed Council		\$114,000.00
Narrow River Watershed Association		\$65,293.06
Blackstone River Watershed Council		\$10,092.00
RI Sea Grant Salary Support for Rivers Council Chair		\$68,405.00
US EPA grant for technical workshops		\$18,553.00
US EPA grant to the Institute for Conservation Leadership for training		\$10,000.00
TOTAL	\$52,500.00	\$376,267.90

EXPENSES

	RI Sea Grant	USEPA	LEGISLATURE	
PERSONNEL				
Salary Wages and fringe				
Meg Kerr (Chair)	\$45,000.00	\$3,203.00		
Sue Kennedy (Communications)		\$2,239.00		Publicity for workshops
Speaker Honoraria		\$500.00		Out of state lecturers
NON PERSONNEL				
Travel (in-state)	\$2,000.00	\$183.00		
Supplies	\$500.00	\$217.00		
Copying	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00		
Printing 2002 Annual Report	\$3,024.00			
Consultants		\$15,000.00		
Workshop expenses		\$1,400.00	\$2,500.00	
Telephone and fax	\$600.00			
Postage	\$600.00	\$100.00		
Rent and Utilities	In-kind			
Equipment and Supplies	In-kind			
Conference registration (eg: RI League of Cities and Towns Expo 2004)	\$1000.00			
GRANTS TO WATERSHED ORGANIZATIONS				
Kickemuit River Watershed Council			\$6,000.00	
Narrow River Preservation Association			\$7,500.00	
Blackstone River Watershed Council			\$7,500.00	
Saugatucket River Heritage Corridor Coalition			\$6,000.00	
Wood-Pawcatuck Watershed Association			\$7,000.00	
Woonasquatucket River Watershed Council			\$9,000.00	
Pawtuxet River Watershed Council			\$7,000.00	
SUB TOTAL	\$54,724.00	\$24,842.00	\$52,500.00	
Indirect (25%)	13,681.00	3,711.00		
TOTAL	\$68,405.00	\$28,553.00	\$52,500.00	TOTAL = \$149,458.00

Rivers Council Watershed Councils' Grants
Details 2003

<i>EXPENSES</i>	Non-Competitive Grant	Competitive Grant	Leveraged	NOTES
Wood-Pawcatuck Watershed Association				
Personnel	\$3,500.00		\$10,000.00 \$661.60 \$99.24	Professional services \$100 per hour Volunteer time (6 field volunteers at 40 hours total at \$16.54 per hour) Workshop attendance (6 hours)
Phone/fax/internet	\$500.00			
Office supplies	\$500.00			
Printing/copying	\$500.00			
Equipment		\$2,000.00		
Grant (Rhode Island Foundation)			\$10,000.00	
Grant (Forest C. Lattner Foundation)			\$3,495.00	For YSI sampler
TOTAL	\$5,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$20,760.84	
Woonasquatucket River Watershed Council				
Personnel	\$5,000.00		\$3,400.00	Volunteer time
Phone/fax/internet				
Office expenses		\$362.80		Insurance, postage
Printing/copying		\$275.00		
Equipment		\$3,362.20	\$630.00	
Grants			\$27,750.00	
Grant from EPA/Army Corps			\$25,000.00	
	\$5,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$56,780.00	
TOTAL				

EXPENSES	Non-Competitive	Competitive	Leveraged	NOTES
Kickemuit River Watershed Council				
Personnel			\$3,308.00	Volunteer time 200 hours at \$16.54
Phone/fax/internet				
Office expenses			\$575.00	
Printing/copying				
Equipment		\$507.96		Computer
Consultant services	\$5,000.00	\$500.00		Funds are in a restricted account for use on the sewer inspection project, "Blue Tab"
Effluent testing			\$3,740.00	
Attendance at workshops and training			\$1,654.00	100 hours
TOTAL	\$5,000.00	\$1,007.96	\$9,277.00	
Saugatucket River Watershed Council				
Personnel		\$1,000.00	\$827.00	Volunteer attendance at training
Office expenses	\$5,000.00			
Grants			\$1,500.00	Legislative Grants
Donations			\$800.00	
TOTAL	\$5,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$3127.00	
Pawtuxet River Watershed Council				
Personnel	\$2,295.00			Grant writing
Office expenses	\$1,387.00			Internet services
Construction	\$452.00	\$2,000.00		Kiosk at Veteran's Square, canoe storage
Design	\$866.00			
American Rivers Grant			\$20,000.00	
RI Recreational Trails Grant			\$46,000.00	
Riparian Buffer 319 Grant			\$46,000.00	
Landscape architect services			\$2,600.00	
TOTAL	\$5,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$114,000.00	

EXPENSES	Non-Competitive Grant	Competitive Grant	Leveraged	NOTES
Narrow River Preservation Association				
Personnel		\$1,469.00	\$62,820.80	Volunteer time (Volunteer monitoring, watershed action teams, public education campaign)
River Watch water quality monitoring	\$4,000.00			
Watershed Action Team staff hours	\$600.00			
Printing	\$400.00	\$191.00	\$1,772.26	
Postage		\$420.00		
Sign Construction		\$420.00		
Newsletter			\$400.00	
Sign installation			\$300.00	
TOTAL	\$5,000.00	\$2,500.00	\$65,293.06	
Blackstone River Watershed Council				
Personnel	\$5,000.00		\$6,092.00	Staff time and Volunteer time
Printing/copying		\$2,500.00		
Grants			4,000.00	
	\$5,000.00	\$2,500.00	\$10,092.00	
TOTAL				